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Jon B. Weinberg, Treasurer
Ameritas Financial Services Political
Action Committee (FKA Bankers
Life Nebraska PAC)
5900 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68510

SEP 22 2000

Identification Number: C00187138

Reference: 12 Day Pre-Primary (4/1/00-4/19/00) and July Quarterly (4/20/00-6/30/00) Reports

Dear Mr. Weinberg:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of your report discloses contributions received through what appears to be a payroll deduction plan. Please amend your report to disclose the frequency of the deduction and the amount deducted per pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b) Please refer to the enclosed sample of properly reported payroll deductions.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Antoinette Kitchen
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

SCHEDULE A		ITEMIZED RECEIPTS		Use separate schedule if for each category of the Deduction Summary Page	PAGE OF FOR LINE NUMBER
Contributions from Individuals					
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (or Full)					
National Organization PAC 000000001					
1. Full name, mailing address and ZIP Code		Name of Employer		Date (month, day, year)	Amount (per Payroll Period)
Anne Sullivan 21 18th Street City, State ZIP		National Organization, Inc.		payroll deduction	\$90.00
Reason For: <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Receipt <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> General		Occupation: Branch Manager		Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$285.00	(\$15 biweekly)
2. Full name, mailing address and ZIP Code		Name of Employer		Date (month, day, year)	Amount (per Payroll Period)
Rodney Jones 881 Mansbury Road City, State ZIP		NATIONAL Organization, Inc.		payroll deduction	\$120.00
Reason For: <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Receipt <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> General		Occupation: Vice President		Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$280.00	(\$20 biweekly)

Itemize payroll deductions only after they have exceeded \$200 per calendar year from an individual.

Payroll Deductions

Once an individual's deductions aggregate over \$200 in a calendar year, report the total amount deducted from the donor's paychecks during the reporting period on Schedule A. In parentheses indicate the amount that was deducted each pay period. Instead of stating a specific date of receipt, write "payroll deduction" under "Date." The other itemized information, including the year-to-date total, must be completed for each donor. 104-B(b).

EXAMPLE: During an election year, a corporate manager authorizes her employer to deduct \$15 per pay period (each pay period is two weeks) for the company's SSF. The SSF, which files FEC reports on a quarterly schedule, includes the manager's first-quarter contributions (\$90 for six pay periods) as "unitemized contributions" on Line 11(a)(ii) in the April quarterly report.

By June 30 (the closing date for the July quarterly report), 13 pay periods have passed, and the manager's aggregate contributions are \$195—still below the \$200 itemization threshold. The manager's second-quarter contributions again are included in "unitemized contributions" in the July report.

By September 30 (the closing date for the October quarterly report), 19 pay periods have passed, and the manager's contributions reach \$285. Now the committee itemizes the total contributions received from the manager during the third quarter (\$90), providing the year-to-date total in the appropriate space. (See item A in the illustration above.)